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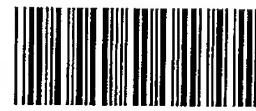
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46 page(s) of specification and 1 page(s) of abstract of the invention are enclosed.

An assignment of the invention to SEIKO EPSON CORPORATION is enclosed will follow.

An associate power of attorney is enclosed will follow.

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

Declaration and Power of Attorney is enclosed will follow.

A certified copy of Japanese Patent Application No. 2001-004974 filed January 12, 2001 from which priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 is enclosed.

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Application data sheet is enclosed. See 37 CFR 1.76.

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A TOTAL CLAIMS FEE	25	-20	5	LG=\$18 SM=\$9	\$18	90	
B INDEPENDENT CLAIMS FEE*	2	-3	0	LG=\$84 SM=\$42	\$84	0	
C SUBTOTAL - ADDITIONAL CLAIMS FEE (ADD FINAL COLUMN IN LINES A + B)						90	
D MULTIPLE-DEPENDENT CLAIMS FEE				LARGE ENTITY FEE = \$280 SMALL ENTITY FEE = \$140		\$ 0	
E BASIC FEE				LARGE ENTITY FEE = \$740 SMALL ENTITY FEE = \$370		\$ 740	
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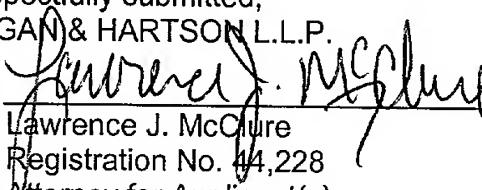
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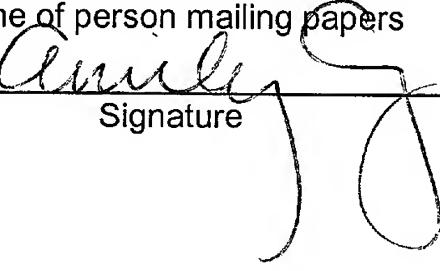
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